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JULY 30 - AUGUST 1 - ALL AROUND AUSTRIA'S HIGHEST MOUNTAIN:
**GROSSGLOCKNER ULTRA-TRAIL - A GET-TOGETHER
OF THE WORLD'S ELITE IN TRAIL RUNNING**



Zell am See-Kaprun/Kals am Großglockner/ Uttendorf-Weissee/Bruck-Fusch July, 2021 - In one month, the Grossglockner ULTRA-TRAIL® powered by DYNAFIT, or short GGUT, around Austria's highest mountain will take place for the sixth time. It is already clear: The event will not only be a happening for the trail running scene, but also a rendezvous for the world's elite trail runners.

For the last few weeks and months, organizer Hubert Resch has been following the regulatory and prevention aspects closely and was extremely relieved when it became clear that the event with its four distances, from 35 to 110 kilometres, can really take place. „The Grossglockner ULTRA-TRAIL has made a name for itself in the local and international scene. In 2020 the competition could not be held, due to the Corona-situation,” explains Resch: „To run in the National Park Hohe Tauern, in a unique, untouched nature is the dream of many trail runners. Now it is coming true again.“

Around 1,300 athletes have already registered; the organizers and partners in Salzburg and East Tyrol are **expecting a total of almost 1,500 participants**, divided into five competitions. „We will apply strict security concepts and prevention measures that meet all official requirements, such as the ‚3G rules‘”, emphasizes Resch, „everyone will feel and be safe with us.“



The participation of national and international elite runners underlines the importance of the Grossglockner ULTRA-TRAIL. Among these, the Austrian local heroes Florian Grasel from Lower Austria, Gerald Fister from Carinthia and Tom Wagner from Styria stand out, all of whom start over the mega distance of 110 km / 6500 m ascent. There they will meet the South Tyrolean top runner Daniel Jung, among others.

At Grossglockner Trail (57 km / 3,500 m) Pau Capell will be at the starting line; the Spaniard won the Ultra Trail du Mont Blanc, the unofficial world championship of the trail scene, in 2019. In this race he will meet, among others, the South Tyrolean Andreas Reiterer (two-time Italian champion), the Canadian Galen Reynolds (2nd at the Tor de Geants 2019), but also the German superstars Hannes Namberger (Team DYNAFIT, 2018 winner of the GGUT over 75 km and the Transalp, 2019 winner of the Mayrhofen Ultraks) and Florian Reichert, 2018 winner over 50 km - high tension is guaranteed!

The women's field is led by Eva Sperger, GGUT winner 2019, as well as her German compatriot Ida-Sophie Hegemann (winner, inter alia, at the Transalp and on the Zugspitze) who will take part in the Grossglockner Trail. Vroni Limberger (married Haas) competes in the ULTRA-TRAIL. The Lower Austrian was already on the podium at GGUT. Johanna Hiemer from Schladming will be there again, on the Weißsee Glacier World Trail. She already triumphed over this distance in Kaprun in 2016 and 2017.

„We are pleased and honoured that so many top stars join us in this unique and scenic trail event in the Eastern Alps,“ says Hubert Resch. *„And one thing is guaranteed - we will offer an unforgettable experience for everyone with a large number of helpers, with mountain rescue services and all the communities involved in three federal provinces!“*

Grossglockner ULTRA-TRAIL 2021 - Program

Thursday, July 29:

from 14.00 Maskogelbahn Kaprun: Expo and bib distribution GWT 35

Friday, July 30:

08.00 Start Weißsee Gletscherwelt Trail (GWT -35 km/1500 Hm), Enzingerboden

from 10.30 Finishers Weißsee Gletscherwelt Trail, Kaprun

22.00 Start Grossglockner ULTRA-TRAIL (GGUT - 110 km/6500 Hm) and start of the team relay GGUT 110 I 2 (Kaprun - Kals, 48 km/2700 Hm), Kaprun

Saturday, July 31:

05.00 Start Osttirol Trail (OTT - 84 km/5000 Hm), Enzingerboden

05.45 Start Part 2 of the team relay GGUT 110 I 2 (Kals - Kaprun, 62 km/3800 Hm), Kals

06.00 Start Grossglockner Trail (GTT - 57 km/3500 Hm), Kals

from 11.30 Finishers Grossglockner Trail, Kaprun

from 12.15 Finishers Grossglockner ULTRA-TRAIL, Kaprun

from 13.00 Uhr Finishers Osttirol Trail, Kaprun

Sunday, August 1:

until 04:00 Welcome of the last Finisher GGUT and closing of Grossglockner ULTRA-TRAILS 2021, Kaprun

Further information and press pics: ultratrail.at/deutsch/presse/

